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NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM PROPOSALS

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Committee held a hearing to examine proposals to reform the National Flood Insurance Program, focusing on the causes of the financial disarray of the Program, receiving testimony from David M. Walker, Comptroller General of the United States, Government Accountability Office; David I. Maurstad, Acting Director and Federal Insurance Administrator, Mitigation Division, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Emergency Preparedness and Response Directorate, Department of Homeland Security; and Donald Marron, Acting Director, Congressional Budget Office.

Hearing recessed subject to the call.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Mark D. Wallace, of Florida, to be U.S. Representative to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be Alternate U.S. Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations, during his tenure of service as U.S. Representative to the United Nations for U.N. Management and Reform, and Jackie Wolcott Sanders, of Virginia, to be Alternate U.S. Representative for Special Political Affairs in the United Nations, with the rank of Ambassador, and to be an Alternate U.S. Representative to the Sessions of the General Assembly of the United Nations during her tenure of service as Alternate U.S. Representative for Special Political Affairs in the United

Nations, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

NOMINATION

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Janet Ann Sanderson, of Arizona, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Haiti, after the nominee testified and answered questions in her own behalf.

NOMINATIONS

Committee on Foreign Relations: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Patricia Newton Moller, of Arkansas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Burundi, Robert Weisberg, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Congo, Bernadette Mary Allen, of Maryland, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Niger, and Steven Alan Browning, of Texas, to be Ambassador to the Republic of Uganda, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

LOBBYING REFORM

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine lobbying reform proposals and issues, focusing on S. 2128, to provide greater transparency with respect to lobbying activities, and S. 2180, to provide more rigorous requirements with respect to disclosure and enforcement of ethics and lobbying laws and regulations, after receiving testimony from Senators McCain, Santorum, Coleman, Durbin, and Feingold; Dick Clark, Aspen Institute Congressional Program, John Engler, National Association of Manufacturers, and William Samuel, AFL-CIO, Fred Wertheimer, Democracy 21, all of Washington, D.C.; and Paul A. Miller, American League of Lobbyists, Alexandria, Virginia.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 12 noon on Tuesday, January 31, 2006.

Committee Meetings

No committee meetings were held.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JANUARY 26, 2006

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Select Committee on Intelligence: to hold a closed briefing on intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

House

No committee meetings are scheduled.